

Salem County Commission on Women MEETING MINUTES

April 12, 2016

6:30 p.m.

Ware Building

ATTENDEES: Brenda Banks, Lynn Barnhart, Linda DuBois, Alice Dennis, Elaine Dunner, Cindy LaRosa, Sally Maurer, Joyce Skradzinski.

UNEXCUSED: Charlotte Dorn, Maureen Fernandez, Diana Hughes

EXCUSED: BJ Ayars, Loretta Elwell, Missy Jones Terry Ostrander

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m.

Open Public Statement Read.

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SECRETARY REPORT:

Minutes handed out from March 8 meeting. Having no changes, a motion was made by Sally and seconded by Brenda. Report was unanimously approved.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Treasurer, Joyce Skradzinski, shared two reports. Checking account balance \$6,016.65. She reviewed the Women of Achievement Luncheon spreadsheet. As of tonight we earned \$799.95 as a result of the event.

Motion to accept the Treasurers Reports was made by Sally and seconded by Alice. Report was unanimously approved.

CORRESPONDANCE:

Each member was given a copy of resolutions that were handed out at the Women of Achievement event.

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Woman of Achievement Event review:

- President Linda commended the efforts of Lynn and Diana for keeping track of tickets/seating. Everyone thanked them for good communication and tracking.
- Discussion regarding an information sheet should be created so we can clarify guidelines of the events. (seating, how to get tickets, bios, photos). Sally will draft a document for members to begin to create.

- Sally mentioned that a person posted a comment on Facebook about diversity in our selection of nominees. Sally immediately responded that awardees are nominated based on women who are currently living in Salem County and we look forward to nominees of all backgrounds.

Scholarship applications

- Applications must be received by May 6th and will be directed to Brenda. Linda will put out a press release tomorrow. \$1,000 will be awarded. At the next meeting we will discuss the number of awards that will be given. Sally made a motion to have a minimum scholarship award of \$1,000. Vote was unanimously approved. The number of scholarships will be determined at the next meeting based on the applications received.

GSCI – Sally make a motion to support Girls State Career Institute as we have in the past. Sally will reach out to Jean Jack and coordinate with the two clubs that do not have Woman's Club's (Salem and Schalick). Motion carried.

Location of next meeting – Joyce made a motion to go to Woodstown Diner and Alice seconded. Vote was unanimously approved. Our next meeting will be held at the Woodstown Diner. Social time begins at 6:00 and dinner begins

No public comment was made.

Good of the commission:

- Brenda asked for the group to consider a subcommittee formed for the next Women of Achievement during the summer months. Set a tentative date at the next meeting.
- A letter of sympathy should be sent to Freeholder Acton for the loss of her grandmother. Elaine will send the letter on behalf of the commission.
- Sally mentioned that Kathy Shorter (Class of 1973 of Woodstown) died recently after leaving an event at the Sportsman's Club. Perhaps a safety message could be published or we could investigate a tool that could be used to break a window in the event of an emergency. We may look into partnering with a group to look for a tool that can be used for safety of women in the event of an emergency.

Next meeting will be held on May 10, 2016 at the Woodstown Diner.

A motion to adjourn was made by Lynne and seconded by Joyce at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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